

**FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting
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<210> For the prior calendar year, were there any reportable voice service outages? No

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**(300) Unfulfilled Service Request
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<300> Unfulfilled service request (voice)

NA

<310> Detail on attempts (voice)

Name of Attached Document

<320> Unfulfilled service request (broadband)

NA

<330> Detail on attempts (broadband)

Name of Attached Document

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| <400> | Select from the drop-down list to indicate how you would like to report voice complaints (zero or greater) for voice telephony service in the prior calendar year for each service area in which you are designated an ETC for any facilities you own, operate, lease, or otherwise utilize. Offered only fixed voice | |
| <410> | Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed voice | 0 . 0 |
| <420> | Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile voice | |
| <430> | Select from the drop-down list to indicate how you would like to report end-user customer complaints (zero or greater) for broadband service in the prior calendar year for each service area in which you are designated an ETC for any facilities you own, operate, lease, or otherwise utilize. Offered only fixed broadband | |
| <440> | Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed broadband | 0 . 0 |
| <450> | Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile broadband | |

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| <500> | Certify compliance with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules | Yes |
| 613004AK510 .pdf | | |
| <510> | Descriptive document for Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance | |
| <515> | Certify compliance with applicable minimum service standards | |

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| (600) Functionality in Emergency Situations | | FCC Form 481 |
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| <600> | Certify compliance regarding ability to function in emergency situations | Yes |
| <610> | Descriptive document for Functionality in Emergency Situations | 613004AK610 .pdf |

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| <810> | Reporting Carrier | Bush-Tell, Inc. |
| <811> | Holding Company | Not Applicable |
| <812> | Operating Company | Bush-Tell, Inc. |

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**(900) Tribal Lands Reporting
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<900> Does the filing entity offer tribal land services? (Y/N) Yes

<910> Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves

Alaska

<920> Tribal Government Engagement Obligation

613004AK920.pdf

<921>

- <922> Feasibility and sustainability planning;
- <923> Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;
- <924> Compliance with Rights of way processes
- <925> Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements
- <926> Compliance with Facilities Siting rules
- <927> Compliance with Environmental Review processes
- <928> Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes
- <929> Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.

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| Yes |
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| Yes |
| Yes |
| Yes |
| Yes |
| Yes |
| Yes |
| Yes |

**(1000) Voice and Broadband Service Rate Comparability
Data Collection Form**

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<1000> Voice services rate comparability certification Yes

<1010> Attach detailed description for voice services rate comparability compliance 613004AK1010.pdf

Name of Attached Document

<1020> Broadband comparability certification No

<1030> Attach detailed description for broadband comparability compliance 613004AK1030.pdf

Name of Attached Document

**(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting
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<1100> Certify whether terrestrial backhaul options exist (Y/N)

No

<1130>

Yes

(1200) Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers
Lifeline
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613004AK1210.pdf

<1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans

<1220> Link to Public Website

HTTP

<1221> Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers,



<1222> Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan,



<1223> Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan.



(2005) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation

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Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers

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Select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions, and Connect America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),(e). The information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting

- <2011> 3rd Year Certification 47 CFR §54.313(b)(1)(ii) - Note that for the July 2017 certification, this applies to Round 2 recipients of Incremental Support.
- <2022> Recipient certifies, representing year three after filing a notice of acceptance of funding pursuant to 54.312(c), that the locations in question are not receiving support under the Broadband Initiatives Program or the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program for projects that will provide broadband with speeds of at least 4 Mbps/1Mbps - 54.313(b)(2)(i). Round 2 recipients only.
- <2023> The attachment on line 2024 includes a statement of the total amount of capital funding expended in the previous year in meeting Connect America Phase I deployment obligations, accompanied by a list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent. This covers year three - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.
- <2024A> Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?
- <2024B> Attach list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent in year three - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.
- <2025A> Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?
- <2025B> Attach geocoded Information for Phase I milestone reports (Round 2 for year three) - Connect America Fund , WC Docket 10-90, Report and Order, FCC 13-73, paragraph 35 (May 22, 2013).
- <2015> 2016 and future Frozen Support Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(c)(4)

Name of Attached Document Listing
Required Information

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Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support {47 CFR § 54.313(d)}

<2016> Certification support used to build broadband

Connect America Phase II Reporting {47 CFR § 54.313(e)}

<2017A> Connect America Fund Phase II recipient?

<2017C> Total amount of Phase II support, if any, the price cap carrier used for capital expenditures in 2016.

<2018> Attach the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the carrier newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year - 54.313(e)(1)(ii)(A)

Name of Attached Document Listing
Required Information

<2019> Recipient certifies that it bid on category one telecommunications and Internet access services in response to all FCC Form 470 postings seeking broadband service that meets the connectivity targets for the schools and libraries universal service support program for eligible schools and libraries located within any area in a census block where the carrier is receiving Phase II model-based support, and that such bids were at rates reasonably comparable to rates charged to eligible schools and libraries in urban areas for comparable offerings - 54.313(e)(1)(ii)(C)

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Select from the drop down menu or check the boxes below to note compliance with 54.313(f)(1). Privately held carriers must ensure compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

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| (3009) | Progress Report on 5 Year Plan Carrier certifies to 54.313(f)(1)(iii) | | |
| | | Yes - Attach Certification | |
| (3010A) | Certification of Public Interest Obligations {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i)} | | |
| (3010B) | Please Provide Attachment | Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information | 613004AK3010a.pdf |
| (3012A) | Community Anchor Institutions {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii)} | No - No New Community Anchors | |
| (3012B) | Please Provide Attachment | Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information | |
| (3013) | Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)} | (Yes/No) | <input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> |
| (3014) | If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report | (Yes/No) | <input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> |
| Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires: | | | |
| (3015) | Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| (3016) | Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| (3017) | If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation | Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information | 613004AK3017.pdf |
| (3018) | If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited? | (Yes/No) | <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> |
| If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains: | | | |
| (3019) | Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| (3020) | Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| (3021) | Management letter and/or audit opinion issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit. | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains: | | | |
| (3022) | Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| (3023) | Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| (3024) | Underlying information subjected to an officer certification. | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| (3025) | Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| (3026) | Attach the worksheet listing required information | Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information | |

(3005) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation (Continued)

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Financial Data Summary

(3027) Revenue

(3028) Operating Expenses

(3029) Net Income

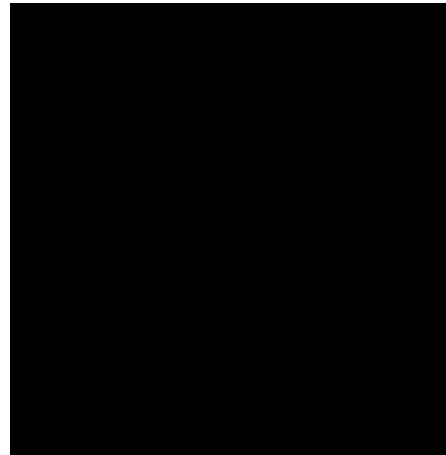
(3030) Telephone Plant In Service(TPIS)

(3031) Total Assets

(3032) Total Debt

(3033) Total Equity

(3034) Dividends



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4005 Rural Broadband Experiment

Authorized Rural Broadband Experiment (RBE) recipients must address the certification for public interest obligations, provide a list of newly served community anchor institutions, and provide a list of locations where broadband has been deployed.

Public Interest Obligations – FCC 14-98 (paragraphs 26-29, 78)

Please address Line 4001 regarding compliance with the Commission’s public interest obligations. All RBE participants must provide a response to Line 4001.

4001. Recipient certifies that it is offering broadband to the identified locations meeting the requisite public interest obligations consistent with the category for which they were selected, including broadband speed, latency, usage capacity, and rates that are reasonably comparable to rates for comparable offerings in urban areas?

Community Anchor Institutions – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 79)

4003a. RBE participants must provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which they newly deployed broadband service in the preceding calendar year. On this line, please respond (yes – attach new community anchors, no – no new anchors) to indicate whether this list will be provided.

If yes to 4003A, please provide a response for 4003B.

4003b. Provide the number, names and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the recipient newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

Broadband Deployment Locations – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 80)

4004a. Attach a list of geocoded locations to which broadband has been deployed as of the June 1st immediately preceding the July 1st filing deadline for the FCC Form 481.

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

4004b. Attach evidence demonstrating that the recipient is meeting the relevant public service obligations for the identified locations. Materials must at least detail the pricing, offered broadband speed and data usage allowances available in the relevant geographic area.

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

| Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients | |
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| I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate. | |
| Name of Reporting Carrier: BUSH-TELL INC. | |
| Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE | Date 06/21/2017 |
| Printed name of Authorized Officer: Doug DeVore | |
| Title or position of Authorized Officer: President | |
| Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 9076754311 ext. | |
| Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 613004 | Filing Due Date for this form: 07/03/2017 |
| Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001. | |

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

| Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier | |
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| I certify that (Name of Agent) _____ is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate. | |
| Name of Authorized Agent: | |
| Name of Reporting Carrier: | |
| Signature of Authorized Officer: | Date: |
| Printed name of Authorized Officer: | |
| Title or position of Authorized Officer: | |
| Telephone number of Authorized Officer: | |
| Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: | Filing Due Date for this form: |
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

| Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier | |
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| I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have provided the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate. | |
| Name of Reporting Carrier: | |
| Name of Authorized Agent Firm: | |
| Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: | Date: |
| Name of Authorized Agent Employee: | |
| Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent | |
| Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: | |
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Attachments

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| (700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data Data Collection Form | FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013 |
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| <701> | Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date | 1/1/2017 |
| <702> | Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge | 21.5 |

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| (710) Broadband Price Offerings Data Collection Form | FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013 |
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| Bush-Tell, Inc.: | Bush-Tell, Inc. |
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| Supplemental Data for: | Line 510-Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules Compliance |

Bush-Tell, Inc. will make reasonable efforts to comply with applicable service quality standards as stated in Alaska Administrative Code 3 AAC 53.700 State Telecommunications Modernization Plan and consumer protection rules as defined in 47 C.F.R. Part 64 Subpart U, Customer Proprietary Network Information and the Federal Trade Commission Red Flag rules to prevent identity theft.

Bush-Tell, Inc. adheres to Consumer Protection by complying with the requirements of 47 CFR Part 64 Subpart U, Customer Proprietary Network Information and the Federal Trade Commission Red Flag rules to prevent identity theft. A manual for each of those programs is in place and is part of the employees' handbook. Employee training is conducted annually and new hires are instructed on the programs as required by their job functions.

Bush-Tell, Inc. also adheres to Service Quality Standards by complying with the service standards of the State of Alaska as promulgated in the Alaska Administrative Code 3 AAC 53.700 State Telecommunications Modernization Plan.

RATES AND RATE STABILITY

New customers are provided rate information at the time they order service. The rate information is prepared based on tariffs which are on file with the state public utility commission and available for inspection at our office. In addition rates are available on Bush-Tell, Inc. website. Notices of rate changes proposed by Bush-Tell, Inc. are communicated to the customers through a bill notice or other comparable means. Bush-Tell, Inc. complies with all state and federal rules applicable to rate changes.

PROVIDE SPECIFIC DISCLOSURES IN ADVERTISING

In advertising of prices for service plans Bush-Tell, Inc. will disclose material charges and conditions related to the advertised prices and services. This notice will provide the potential customer with, including if applicable and to the extent the advertising medium reasonably allows: (1) whether nonrecurring installation charges would apply; (2) the monthly fee associated with the service; (3) whether any additional taxes, fees or surcharges apply; (3) the terms and conditions related to receiving a product or service for "free;" and (4) whether prices or benefits apply only for a limited time or promotional period and, if so, whether any different fees or charges will apply for the remainder of the contract term.

TRUTH-IN-BILLING

Bush-Tell, Inc. has long maintained compliance with the FCC's Truth-in-Billing rules as set forth in 47 CFR 64.2401. In part, this requires Bush-Tell, Inc.'s telephone bill must: (1) be accompanied by a brief, clear, non-misleading plain language description of the service or services rendered; (2) identify the service provider associated with each charge; (3) clearly and conspicuously identify any change in service provider; (4) contain full and non-misleading

descriptions of charges; (5) identify those charges for which failure to pay will not result in disconnection of the customer's basic local service; and (6) provide a toll free number for customers to call in order to lodge a complaint or obtain information. Customers' bills will distinguish (1) monthly charges for service and features, and other charges collected and retained by the carrier, from (2) taxes, fees and other charges collected by the carrier and remitted to federal state or local governments. Bush-Tell, Inc. will not label cost recovery fees or charges as taxes.

PROVIDE READY ACCESS TO CUSTOMER SERVICE

Customers and potential customers may access customer service by visiting Bush-Tell, Inc.'s office or by using a toll-free telephone number during normal business hours. Customer service contact information is available at our business office with regular hours posted on the storefront. In addition, this information is available online and on the monthly invoice rendered by Bush-Tell, Inc.

ABIDE BY POLICIES FOR PROTECTION OF CUSTOMER PRIVACY

Bush-Tell, Inc. complies with all state and federal rules regarding the privacy of customer information. Certification of this compliance is provided annually to the FCC.

RESPONSE TO CONSUMER INQUIRIES AND COMPLAINTS RECEIVED FROM GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Bush-Tell, Inc. will respond in writing to state or federal administrative agencies within 30 days of receiving written consumer complaints from any such agency. Should the agency require a shorter interval for response, Bush-Tell, Inc. will use its best efforts to expedite the review of the complaint to provide a response which meets the agency-provided target date.

TERMINATION OF SERVICE

Bush-Tell, Inc. follows the state public utility commission's rules for termination of service. Service cannot be terminated without advance notice to the customer. If service is being terminated for non-payment, the customer will have the option to establish a payment plan. So long as the customer adheres to the payment plan, service will not be disconnected. Customers may terminate service at any time and for any reason. Bush-Tell, Inc. does not assess any termination penalty and the customer is simply required to pay for the services which were used while the service was provided.

As an initial point, Bush-Tell, Inc. had no service outages during 2015 which met the FCC's threshold for reporting into the Network Outage Reporting System ("NORS").

Bush-Tell, Inc. engages in preventative maintenance programs which help ensure network reliability in all conditions. This includes regular checks on generators, battery back-up, HVAC infrastructure at central office switches, and tree trimming/removal when trees have the potential to take down telephone lines during events of high wind or heavy snow. Access to critical infrastructure (like central office switches) is limited to essential personnel. Spare equipment is maintained in inventory.

Like most local exchange carriers, Bush-Tell, Inc.'s network consists of electronic switching equipment and a network of fiber optics and copper facilities. Each Bush-Tell community is non-contiguous and is not connected by roads, making redundancy between communities extremely expensive. Typical connection costs between exchanges for a T1 of capacity can cost more than \$14,000 a month.

From a switching standpoint, Bush-Tell, Inc. has one primary switch in each community it serves. The largest threat to switches is the loss of power. To address this, Bush-Tell, Inc. ensures adequate battery back-up is maintained as well as backup generator capacity at its largest exchanges. The following table shows the available battery backup at each exchange as well as backup generator capacity:

| Exchange | Generator | Batteries |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|
| Aniak | 30KW | 12 Hrs |
| Anvik | | 8 Hrs |
| Crooked Creek | | 8 Hrs |
| Grayling | | 8 Hrs |
| Kalskag | 10KW | 8 Hrs |
| Red Devil | | 8 Hrs |
| Shageluk | | 8 Hrs |
| Stoney River | | 8 Hrs |
| Sleet Mute | | 8 Hrs |

In cases of emergency, Bush-Tell, Inc.'s management has contact information for all employees. Depending upon the scope of the emergency, Bush-Tell, Inc. may call-in as many employees as necessary to provide continual telecommunications service. When poles are down from emergencies, the Bush-Tell, Inc. works with other utilities attached to the same poles to expedite the repair or replacement of the infrastructure.

In summation, Bush-Tell, Inc. takes preventative measures to plan for emergency situations and also takes steps to mitigate the risk or duration of such events.

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| Bush-Tell, Inc.: | Bush-Tell, Inc. |
| Study Area Code | 613004 |
| Supplemental Data for: | Line 920-Tribal Government Engagement Obligation |

Bush-Tell, Inc. contacted all of the tribal administrators in its service area in order to comply with the Universal Service Transformation Order. Bush-Tell, Inc. contacted the following Traditional Councils by phone to schedule a face to face meeting for 2015. The meetings were held during a two-day period in November and December 2015.

Aniak Traditional Council
P.O. Box 349
Aniak, AK 99557
Phone: 907.675.4349

Anvik Traditional Council
P.O. Box 10
Anvik, AK 99558
Phone: 907.663.6346

Crooked Creek Traditional Council
P.O. Box 69
Crooked Creek, AK 99575
Phone: 907.432.2200

Grayling IRA (Indian Reorganization Act)
P.O. Box 49
Grayling, AK 99590
Phone: 907.453.5116

Holy Cross Tribal Council
P.O. Box 89
Holy Cross, AK 99602
Phone: 907.476.7207

Stony River Traditional Council
P.O. Box SRV
Stony River, AK 99557
Phone: 907.537.3258

Village of Lower Kalskag
P.O. Box 27
Lower Kalskag, AK 99626
Phone: 907.471.2300

Shageluk IRA (Indian Reorganization Act)
P.O. Box 35
Shageluk, AK 99665
Phone: 907.473.8239

Sleetmute Traditional Council
P.O. Box 109
Sleetmute, AK 99668
Phone: 449-4263

Village of Upper Kalskag
P.O. Box 50
Lower Kalskag, AK 99626
Phone: 907.471.2300

There is no Tribal Council in Red Devil, AK

Each tribal administrator was informed of Bush-Tell Inc.'s responsibility to work with all tribal offices regarding a variety of topics. Bush-Tell, Inc. informed each entity its intent to have discussions including

- A needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions
- Feasibility and sustainability planning
- Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner
- Rights of way processes, land use permitting, facilities siting, environmental and cultural preservation review processes
- Compliance with Tribal business and licensing requirements.

Face to face meetings with each entity were conducted by Larry G. Snipes, Bush-Tell's General Manager, Josephine Nook, Bush-Tell's Customer Service Representative, Carl Morgan III, Bush-Tell's Lead Technician. Each tribal administrator was informed of Bush-Tell Inc.'s responsibility to work with all tribal offices regarding a variety of topics. Specifically, Bush-Tell, Inc. informed each entity its intent to have discussions including

- A needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions
- Feasibility and sustainability planning
- Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner
- Rights of way processes, land use permitting, facilities siting, environmental and cultural preservation review processes
- Compliance with Tribal business and licensing requirements.

During this year's outreach most of the discussions pertained to Internet service. Cost of internet and availability was brought up and discussed at all meetings. This year's meetings focused mainly on individual customer service situations that allowed everyone in attendance to better understand the network and available services. Determined the need for two new phone systems in two of the tribal councils and offered to provide a quote and to provide the cost of the system on a monthly payment plan.

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| Bush-Tell, Inc.: | Bush-Tell, Inc. |
| Study Area Code | 613004 |
| Supplemental Data for: | Line 1010-Voice Services Rate Compatibility |

Bush-Tell, Inc. certifies that it meets the local voice service rate compatibility requirements. The Residential rate for all Bush-Tell exchanges is \$21.50 a month, which is above the local rate floor of \$22.49 that has been established by the FCC. With state surcharges this rate is \$29.91. The federal \$6.50 SLC brings this residential rate to \$36.41, which is below the two standard deviations from the applicable urban rate for voice service of \$49.51.

Bush-Tell, Inc: Bush-Tell, Inc.
Study Area Code: 613004
Supplemental Data for: Line 1030 - Broadband Comparability Compliance

As an Alaska Rate of Return carrier, Bush-Tell, Inc. Broadband Services Pricing does not meet the FCC's broadband reasonable Comparability Benchmark announced by the Bureau on April 11, 2017 (DA17-346).

Currently, Bush-Tell, Inc. has had no reasonable requests for broadband service at actual speeds of at least 10 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream. However, as shown by the response to Line 710 Bush-Tell, Inc. offers broadband service of 6 Mbps downstream/2 Mbps upstream.

Bush-Tell, Inc.'s Alaska Infrastructure Fund Performance Obligations has been approved by the FCC and will be implemented as such. The Company will take every opportunity to increase speeds and decrease costs throughout the approved build-out period.

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5.7 DISCOUNTED SERVICES

5.7.1 LOCAL SERVICE ASSISTANCE - LIFELINE & LINKUP

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|---------|-------|-----------------|
| 5.7.1.1 | RATES | Monthly Rate |
|---------|-------|-----------------|

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| 5.7.1.1.1 | Local Service Assistance ("LSA") - Lifeline | \$1.00* |
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* This charge is in addition to the appropriate charges as specified in Sections 5.3 and 5.6.

5.7.1.1.2 Customer who meet the requirements in Section 5.7.1.2.4 or 5.7.1.2.5 are eligible for Lifeline Connection Assistance ("LCA") which reduces the customer's service order and installation charges by fifty percent (50%) up to a maximum of thirty dollars (\$30.00). Additional Lifeline Connection Assistance is available of up to \$70.00 that will cover 100 percent of the connection charges between \$60.00 and \$130.00. Remaining service order and installation charges will appear on the customer's first month billing.

5.7.1.1.3 The customer may defer payment on up to the \$200 of the 5.7.1.1.2 charges without interest for a period not to exceed one year. Payment shall be made over a twelve (12) month period.

5.7.1.2 TERMS AND CONDITIONS

5.7.1.2.1 For customers approved for Local Service Assistance, the End User Common Line Charge (a/k/a the Subscriber Line Charge) will be waived.

5.7.1.2.2 The requested service must be a single line to a residential subscriber's primary place of residence.

5.7.1.2.3 Lifeline will offered to any requesting customer who meets the eligibility criteria specified in Section 5.7.1.2.4 or Section 5.7.1.2.5.

5.7.1.2.4 The customer lives in a household with income at or below 135% of the applicable federal poverty guidelines for Alaska, as established by the United States Department of Health and Human Services. For purposes of applying the poverty guideline, the term "family unit" means all persons who occupy a housing unit, regardless of whether they are related to each other.

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5.7 DISCOUNTED SERVICES

5.7.1 LOCAL SERVICE ASSISTANCE - LIFELINE & LINKUP

5.7.1.2 TERMS AND CONDITIONS

5.7.1.2.4.1 The customer is required to provide documentation of the income in the form of:

- 5.7.1.2.4.1.1 A previous year's state, or federal tax return;
- 5.7.1.2.4.1.2 A current income statement from an employer or paycheck stub;
- 5.7.1.2.4.1.3 A statement of benefits from the United States Social Security Administration;
- 5.7.1.2.4.1.4 A statement of benefits from the United States Department of Veteran's Affairs;
- 5.7.1.2.4.1.5 A retirement or pension statement of benefits;
- 5.7.1.2.4.1.6 An unemployment or worker's compensation statement of benefits;
- 5.7.1.2.4.1.7 A federal or tribal notice letter of participation in general assistance;
- 5.7.1.2.4.1.8 A divorce decree or child support document; or
- 5.7.1.2.4.1.9 Any other official document demonstrating proof of income.

5.7.1.2.4.2 If the customer provides income documentation that does not cover one full year, the documentation must cover at least three consecutive months in the current calendar year.

5.7.1.2.5 The customer receives benefits from one of the following programs:

- 5.7.1.2.5.1 Supplemental Security Income;
- 5.7.1.2.5.2 Alaska Temporary Assistance Program;
- 5.7.1.2.5.3 Adult Public Assistance (which includes aid to the aged, the blind & the disabled);
- 5.7.1.2.5.4 Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program;
- 5.7.1.2.5.5 Federal Public Housing Assistance;
- 5.7.1.2.5.6 Medicaid;
- 5.7.1.2.5.7 Food Stamps;
- 5.7.1.2.5.8 Bureau of Indian Affairs ("BIA") general assistance
- 5.7.1.2.5.9 Tribally Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) (tribally-administered block grant program)
- 5.7.1.2.5.10 Head Start Programs (under income qualifying eligibility provision only);
- 5.7.1.2.5.11 National School Lunch Program (free meals program only);
- 5.7.1.2.5.12 VA Disability Pension;
- 5.7.1.2.5.13 Child Care Assistance Program - PASS I, PASS II, PASS III;

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5.7 DISCOUNTED SERVICES

5.7.1 LOCAL SERVICE ASSISTANCE - LIFELINE & LINKUP

5.7.1.2 TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 5.7.1.2.5.14 WIC - Women, Infants & Children Program;
- 5.7.1.2.5.15 Alaska State Housing Corporations Programs:
 - 5.7.1.2.5.15.1 Public Housing
 - 5.7.1.2.5.15.2 Interest Rate Reduction for Low Income Borrowers
 - 5.7.1.2.5.15.3 Home Investment Partnership Program "HOME"
 - 5.7.1.2.5.15.4 Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program
 - 5.7.1.2.5.15.5 Senior Citizen Housing Development Fund
- 5.7.1.2.5.16 State of Alaska Heating Assistance Program;
- 5.7.1.2.5.17 Pioneer Home Payment Assistance;
- 5.7.1.2.5.18 Denali Kid Care; or
- 5.7.1.2.5.19 Senior Care
- 5.7.1.2.6 The customer must sign, under penalty of perjury, a document certifying:
 - 5.7.1.2.6.1 The number of individuals in the customer's household and the customer's household income; or
 - 5.7.1.2.6.2 That the customer is receiving benefits from one or more of the programs listed in Section 5.7.1.2.5 and identifying the program(s) from which the customer is receiving benefits.
 - 5.7.1.2.6.3 And certifying that the customer agrees to notify the Company when;
 - 5.7.1.2.6.3.1 The customer's income exceeds the 135 percent threshold specified in Section 5.7.1.2.4; or
 - 5.7.1.2.6.3.2 The customer no longer receives benefits from any of the program(s) the customer identified in Section 5.7.1.2.6.2.
- 5.7.1.2.7 The Company shall retain a customer's self-certification for as long as the customer receives lifeline service but there is no requirement to maintain any other documentation of eligibility that a customer provides.
- 5.7.1.2.8 Monthly charges will be waived for Toll Restriction and a security deposit to initiate service is not required when Lifeline customer elect to subscribe to Toll Restriction.

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5.7 DISCOUNTED SERVICES

5.7.1 LOCAL SERVICE ASSISTANCE - LIFELINE & LINKUP

5.7.1.2 TERMS AND CONDITIONS

5.7.1.2.9 Local service will not be disconnected for nonpayment of toll charges. Partial payments received from Lifeline subscribers will be applied first to local service charges and then to toll charges, unless the customer directs otherwise.

5.7.1.2.10 Annual Lifeline Review - The Company is required to annually select a random sample of Lifeline customer and verify that those customer remain eligible for Lifeline service;

5.7.1.2.10.1 However, there is no requirement to verify a specific customer more often than every three years.

5.7.1.2.10.2 The Company can accept self-certification of eligibility under Section 5.7.1.2.6 ;
or

5.7.1.2.10.3 Require the customer to provide written documentation of continued eligibility regardless of whether the customer previously provided documentation of income under Section 5.7.1.2.4.1. or initially applied under Section 5.7.1.2.5.

5.7.1.2.11 LINK UP

5.7.1.2.11.1 Lifeline connection Assistance - Link Up ("LCA"), shall be provided a subsequent time only for a principal residence with a different address than the residence where LCA was previously provided.

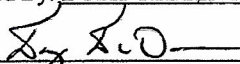
5.7.1.2.11.2 LCA does not apply to security deposits. Security deposits are not required for a customer that subscribe to Toll Restriction.

5.7.1.2.11.3 Service order and installation charges include customer charges assessed to connect subscribers to the network, including facilities-based charges associated with the extension of lines or construction of facilities needed to initiate service. the reduction shall not apply to charges assessed for facilities or equipment that fall on the customer's side of the demarcation point between the Company's facilities and the customer's premise equipment including wiring and telephone instruments.

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5.7 DISCOUNTED SERVICES

5.7.2 UNIVERSAL SERVICE DISCOUNT FOR ELIGIBLE SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

5.7.1.2 RATES

| School & Library Discount Matrix % of students eligible for national school lunch program | Discount Levels | |
|--|-----------------|----------------|
| | Urban Discount | Rural Discount |
| < 1 | 20% | 25% |
| 1 - 19 | 40% | 50% |
| 20 - 34 | 50% | 60% |
| 35 - 49 | 60% | 70% |
| 50 - 74 | 80% | 80% |
| 75 - 100 | 90% | 90% |

5.7.3.2 TERMS AND CONDITIONS

5.7.3.2.1 The universal service discounts provided herein are applicable to all services, provided under the jurisdiction of this tariff, including special contracts. Universal service discounts will be granted only when the applicant supplies evidence to the Company that the appropriate federal universal service funds are available by demonstrating that the federal universal service fund administrator has committed the necessary funds for the exclusive use of the applicant. Discounts will not be provided prior to January 1, 1998.

5.7.3.2.2 Universal service discounts will be applied to the applicant's bill coinciding with the federal universal service funding period. Each year, the applicant must supply evidence to the Company that the appropriate federal universal service funds are available by demonstrating that the federal universal fund administrator has committed the necessary funds. If this evidence is not provided, the Company will discontinue the applicant's universal service discounts, consistent with the termination of the current funding period, and to subsequently begin billing the undiscounted rate.

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54.313 Lifeline customers MOU and additional toll charges

Lifeline subscribers receive the same residential service as a regular subscriber, but at a reduced monthly recurring rate. Thus, lifeline subscribers have an unlimited number of local calling minutes. As for toll, lifeline subscribers, similar to every Bush-Tell, Inc. subscriber, are free to choose their own toll usage plans through IXC's that serve Bush-Tell, Inc.

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| Bush-Tell, Inc.: | Bush-Tell, Inc. |
| Study Area Code | 613004 |
| Supplemental Data for: | Line 3010a-Milestone Certification |

Date: July 1, 2017

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
9300 East Hampton Drive
Capitol Heights, MD 20743

**Re: WC Docket No. 14-58, 2016 Annual Report, Form 481 for High-Cost Recipient
54.313(f)(1) "Milestone Certification"**

Dear Ms Dortch:

In compliance with the filing requirements associated with, and attached to Form 481, we wish to advise the Commission that Bush-Tell, Inc. provided in 2015 High Speed Internet service to its customers and:

- Has taken reasonable steps to provide upon reasonable request broadband service at actual speeds of 10 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream;
- That reasonable requests for service are met within a reasonable timeframe.

If there are questions, I may be contacted at 907.675.4311.

Sincerely,



Larry G. Snipes
General Manager
Bush-Tell, Inc.

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| USDA-RUS OPERATING REPORT FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS BORROWERS | | <i>This data will be used by RUS to review your financial situation. Your response is required by 7 U.S.C. 901 et seq. and, subject to federal laws and regulations regarding confidential information, will be treated as confidential.</i> BORROWER NAME Bush-Tell, Incorporated (Prepared with Audited Data) | | | |
| INSTRUCTIONS -Submit report to RUS within 30 days after close of the period. For detailed instructions, see RUS Bulletin 1744-2. Report in whole dollars only. | | PERIOD ENDING December, 2016 | BORROWER DESIGNATION AK0525 | | |
| CERTIFICATION We hereby certify that the entries in this report are in accordance with the accounts and other records of the system and reflect the status of the system to the best of our knowledge and belief. ALL INSURANCE REQUIRED BY 7 CFR PART 1788, CHAPTER XVII, RUS, WAS IN FORCE DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD AND RENEWALS HAVE BEEN OBTAINED FOR ALL POLICIES. DURING THE PERIOD COVERED BY THIS REPORT PURSUANT TO PART 1788 OF 7CFR CHAPTER XVII (Check one of the following) | | | | | |
| <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All of the obligations under the RUS loan documents have been fulfilled in all material respects. </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> There has been a default in the fulfillment of the obligations under the RUS loan documents. Said default(s) is/are specifically described in the Telecom Operating Report </div> </div> | | | | | |
| Larry Snipes | | 3/29/2017 DATE | | | |
| PART A. BALANCE SHEET | | | | | |
| ASSETS | BALANCE PRIOR YEAR | BALANCE END OF PERIOD | LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY | BALANCE PRIOR YEAR | BALANCE END OF PERIOD |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | CURRENT LIABILITIES | | |
| 1. Cash and Equivalents | | | 25. Accounts Payable | | |
| 2. Cash-RUS Construction Fund | | | 26. Notes Payable | | |
| 3. Affiliates: | | | 27. Advance Billings and Payments | | |
| a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable | | | 28. Customer Deposits | | |
| b. Other Accounts Receivable | | | 29. Current Mat. L/T Debt | | |
| c. Notes Receivable | | | 30. Current Mat. L/T Debt-Rur. Dev. | | |
| 4. Non-Affiliates: | | | 31. Current Mat.-Capital Leases | | |
| a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable | | | 32. Income Taxes Accrued | | |
| b. Other Accounts Receivable | | | 33. Other Taxes Accrued | | |
| c. Notes Receivable | | | 34. Other Current Liabilities | | |
| 5. Interest and Dividends Receivable | | | 35. Total Current Liabilities (25 thru 34) | | |
| 6. Material-Regulated | | | LONG-TERM DEBT | | |
| 7. Material-Nonregulated | | | 36. Funded Debt-RUS Notes | | |
| 8. Prepayments | | | 37. Funded Debt-RTB Notes | | |
| 9. Other Current Assets | | | 38. Funded Debt-FFB Notes | | |
| 10. Total Current Assets (1 Thru 9) | | | 39. Funded Debt-Other | | |
| NONCURRENT ASSETS | | | 40. Funded Debt-Rural Develop. Loan | | |
| 11. Investment in Affiliated Companies | | | 41. Premium (Discount) on L/T Debt | | |
| a. Rural Development | | | 42. Reacquired Debt | | |
| b. Nonrural Development | | | 43. Obligations Under Capital Lease | | |
| 12. Other Investments | | | 44. Adv. From Affiliated Companies | | |
| a. Rural Development | | | 45. Other Long-Term Debt | | |
| b. Nonrural Development | | | 46. Total Long-Term Debt (36 thru 45) | | |
| 13. Nonregulated Investments | | | OTHER LIAB. & DEF. CREDITS | | |
| 14. Other Noncurrent Assets | | | 47. Other Long-Term Liabilities | | |
| 15. Deferred Charges | | | 48. Other Deferred Credits | | |
| 16. Jurisdictional Differences | | | 49. Other Jurisdictional Differences | | |
| 17. Total Noncurrent Assets (11 thru 16) | | | 50. Total Other Liabilities and Deferred Credits (47 thru 49) | | |
| PLANT, PROPERTY, AND EQUIPMENT | | | EQUITY | | |
| 18. Telecom, Plant-in-Service | | | 51. Cap. Stock Outstand. & Subscribed | | |
| 19. Property Held for Future Use | | | 52. Additional Paid-in-Capital | | |
| 20. Plant Under Construction | | | 53. Treasury Stock | | |
| 21. Plant Adj., Nonop. Plant & Goodwill | | | 54. Membership and Cap. Certificates | | |
| 22. Less Accumulated Depreciation | | | 55. Other Capital | | |
| 23. Net Plant (18 thru 21 less 22) | | | 56. Patronage Capital Credits | | |
| 24. TOTAL ASSETS (10+17+23) | | | 57. Retained Earnings or Margins | | |
| | | | 58. Total Equity (51 thru 57) | | |
| | | | 59. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (35+46+50+58) | | |

Total Equity = 76.63% % of Total Assets

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| INSTRUCTIONS- See RUS Bulletin 1744-2 | | PERIOD ENDING December, 2016 | |
| PART B. STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS OR MARGINS | | | |
| ITEM | | PRIOR YEAR | THIS YEAR |
| 1. Local Network Services Revenues | | | |
| 2. Network Access Services Revenues | | | |
| 3. Long Distance Network Services Revenues | | | |
| 4. Carrier Billing and Collection Revenues | | | |
| 5. Miscellaneous Revenues | | | |
| 6. Uncollectible Revenues | | | |
| 7. Net Operating Revenues (1 thru 5 less 6) | | | |
| 8. Plant Specific Operations Expense | | | |
| 9. Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense (Excluding Depreciation & Amortization) | | | |
| 10. Depreciation Expense | | | |
| 11. Amortization Expense | | | |
| 12. Customer Operations Expense | | | |
| 13. Corporate Operations Expense | | | |
| 14. Total Operating Expenses (8 thru 13) | | | |
| 15. Operating Income or Margins (7 less 14) | | | |
| 16. Other Operating Income and Expenses | | | |
| 17. State and Local Taxes | | | |
| 18. Federal Income Taxes | | | |
| 19. Other Taxes | | | |
| 20. Total Operating Taxes (17+18+19) | | | |
| 21. Net Operating Income or Margins (15+16-20) | | | |
| 22. Interest on Funded Debt | | | |
| 23. Interest Expense - Capital Leases | | | |
| 24. Other Interest Expense | | | |
| 25. Allowance for Funds Used During Construction | | | |
| 26. Total Fixed Charges (22+23+24-25) | | | |
| 27. Nonoperating Net Income | | | |
| 28. Extraordinary Items | | | |
| 29. Jurisdictional Differences | | | |
| 30. Nonregulated Net Income | | | |
| 31. Total Net Income or Margins (21+27+28+29+30-26) | | | |
| 32. Total Taxes Based on Income | | | |
| 33. Retained Earnings or Margins Beginning-of-Year | | | |
| 34. Miscellaneous Credits Year-to-Date | | | |
| 35. Dividends Declared (Common) | | | |
| 36. Dividends Declared (Preferred) | | | |
| 37. Other Debits Year-to-Date | | | |
| 38. Transfers to Patronage Capital | | | |
| 39. Retained Earnings or Margins End-of-Period [(31+33+34) - (35+36+37+38)] | | | |
| 40. Patronage Capital Beginning-of-Year | | | |
| 41. Transfers to Patronage Capital | | | |
| 42. Patronage Capital Credits Retired | | | |
| 43. Patronage Capital End-of-Year (40+41-42) | | | |
| 44. Annual Debt Service Payments | | | |
| 45. Cash Ratio [(14+20-10-11) / 7] | | | |
| 46. Operating Accrual Ratio [(14+20+26) / 7] | | | |
| 47. TIER [(31+26) / 26] | | | |
| 48. DSCR [(31+26+10+11) / 44] | | | |

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| EXCHANGE | 1. RATES | | 2. SUBSCRIBERS (ACCESS LINES) | | | 3. ROUTE MILES | |
|---|----------|-------|-------------------------------|-------------|-------|----------------------------|-------|
| | B-1 | R-1 | BUSINESS | RESIDENTIAL | TOTAL | TOTAL (including fiber) | FIBER |
| | (a) | (b) | (a) | (b) | (c) | (a) | (b) |
| Aniak | 35.50 | 21.50 | 132 | 78 | 210 | 12.00 | 0.00 |
| Anvik | 34.50 | 21.50 | 24 | 11 | 35 | 1.00 | 0.00 |
| Crooked Creek | 34.50 | 21.50 | 12 | 23 | 35 | 1.00 | 0.00 |
| Grayling | 34.50 | 21.50 | 27 | 16 | 43 | 2.00 | 0.00 |
| Holy Cross | 34.50 | 21.50 | 36 | 35 | 71 | 1.00 | 0.00 |
| Kalskag | 34.50 | 21.50 | 62 | 49 | 111 | 8.00 | 0.00 |
| Red Devil | 34.50 | 21.50 | 3 | 7 | 10 | 2.00 | 0.00 |
| Shageluk | 34.50 | 21.50 | 29 | 9 | 38 | 1.00 | 0.00 |
| Sleetmute | 34.50 | 21.50 | 14 | 23 | 37 | 1.00 | 0.00 |
| Stony River | 34.50 | 21.50 | 8 | 9 | 17 | 1.00 | 0.00 |
| MobileWireless | | | | | 0 | | |
| Route Mileage Outside Exchange Area | | | | | | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Total | | | 347 | 260 | 607 | 30.00 | 0.00 |
| No. Exchanges | 10 | | | | | | |

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4. BROADBAND SERVICE

| Details on Least Expensive Broadband Service | | | | | | | | |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|
| EXCHANGE | No. Access Lines with BB available (a) | No Of Broadband Subscribers (b) | Number Of Subscribers (c) | Advertised Download Rate (Kbps) (d) | Advertised Upload Rate (Kbps) (e) | Price Per Month (f) | Standalone/Pckg (f) | Type Of Technology (g) |
| Aniak | 210 | 70 | 0 | 512 | 256 | 39.11 | Package | DSL |
| Anvik | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | |
| Crooked Creek | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | 0.00 | | DSL |
| Grayling | 43 | 5 | 0 | 256 | 256 | 39.11 | Package | DSL |
| Holy Cross | 71 | 9 | 0 | 256 | 256 | 39.11 | Package | DSL |
| Kalskag | 111 | 16 | 0 | 256 | 256 | 39.11 | Package | DSL |
| Red Devil | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | |
| Shageluk | 38 | 5 | 0 | 256 | 256 | 39.11 | Package | DSL |
| Sleetmute | 0 | 0 | 0 | 256 | | | | |
| Stony River | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | | | |
| Total | 473 | 105 | | | | | | |

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| PART D. SYSTEM DATA | | | | | |
| 1. No. Plant Employees | 4 | 2. No. Other Employees | 7 | 3. Square Miles Served | 11,000 |
| | | | | 4. Access Lines per Square Mile | .06 |
| | | | | 5. Subscribers per Route Mile | 20.23 |
| PART E. TOLL DATA | | | | | |
| 1. Study Area ID Code(s) a. _____ b. _____ c. _____ d. _____ e. _____ f. _____ g. _____ h. _____ i. _____ j. _____ | | 2. Types of Toll Settlements (Check one) <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> Interstate: <input type="checkbox"/> Average Schedule Intrastate: <input type="checkbox"/> Average Schedule </div> <div> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cost Basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cost Basis </div> </div> | | | |
| PART F. FUNDS INVESTED IN PLANT DURING YEAR | | | | | |
| 1. RUS, RTB, & FFB Loan Funds Expended | | | | | |
| 2. Other Long-Term Loan Funds Expended | | | | | |
| 3. Funds Expended Under RUS Interim Approval | | | | | |
| 4. Other Short-Term Loan Funds Expended | | | | | |
| 5. General Funds Expended (Other than Interim) | | | | | |
| 6. Salvaged Materials | | | | | |
| 7. Contribution in Aid to Construction | | | | | |
| 8. Gross Additions to Telecom. Plant (1 thru 7) | | | | | |
| PART G. INVESTMENTS IN AFFILIATED COMPANIES | | | | | |
| INVESTMENTS <i>(a)</i> | CURRENT YEAR DATA | | CUMULATIVE DATA | | |
| | Investment This Year | Income/Loss This Year | Cumulative Investment To Date | Cumulative Income/Loss To Date | Current Balance |
| | <i>(b)</i> | <i>(c)</i> | <i>(d)</i> | <i>(e)</i> | <i>(f)</i> |
| 1. Investment in Affiliated Companies - Rural Development | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2. Investment in Affiliated Companies - Nonrural Development | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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| PART H. CURRENT DEPRECIATION RATES | |
| Are corporation's depreciation rates approved by the regulatory authority with jurisdiction over the provision of telephone services? (Check one) <input checked="checked" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO | |
| EQUIPMENT CATEGORY | DEPRECIATION RATE |
| 1. Land and support assets - Motor Vehicles | 20.00% |
| 2. Land and support assets - Aircraft | |
| 3. Land and support assets - Special purpose vehicles | |
| 4. Land and support assets - Garage and other work equipment | 10.00% |
| 5. Land and support assets - Buildings | 6.50% |
| 6. Land and support assets - Furniture and Office equipment | 9.00% |
| 7. Land and support assets - General purpose computers | 10.00% |
| 8. Central Office Switching - Digital | 8.69% |
| 9. Central Office Switching - Analog & Electro-mechanical | |
| 10. Central Office Switching - Operator Systems | |
| 11. Central Office Transmission - Radio Systems | 8.69% |
| 12. Central Office Transmission - Circuit equipment | 8.69% |
| 13. Information origination/termination - Station apparatus | |
| 14. Information origination/termination - Customer premises wiring | |
| 15. Information origination/termination - Large private branch exchanges | |
| 16. Information origination/termination - Public telephone terminal equipment | |
| 17. Information origination/termination - Other terminal equipment | |
| 18. Cable and wire facilities - Poles | 5.00% |
| 19. Cable and wire facilities - Aerial cable - Metal | 5.00% |
| 20. Cable and wire facilities - Aerial cable - Fiber | 5.00% |
| 21. Cable and wire facilities - Underground cable - Metal | 5.00% |
| 22. Cable and wire facilities - Underground cable - Fiber | 5.00% |
| 23. Cable and wire facilities - Buried cable - Metal | 5.00% |
| 24. Cable and wire facilities - Buried cable - Fiber | 5.00% |
| 25. Cable and wire facilities - Conduit systems | 5.00% |
| 26. Cable and wire facilities - Other | |
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| PART I – STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS | | |
| 1. Beginning Cash (Cash and Equivalents plus RUS Construction Fund) | | |
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | |
| 2. Net Income | | |
| <i>Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</i> | | |
| 3. Add: Depreciation | | |
| 4. Add: Amortization | | |
| 5. Other (Explain) Correct auto-calculation to audit | | |
| <i>Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities</i> | | |
| 6. Decrease/(Increase) in Accounts Receivable | | |
| 7. Decrease/(Increase) in Materials and Inventory | | |
| 8. Decrease/(Increase) in Prepayments and Deferred Charges | | |
| 9. Decrease/(Increase) in Other Current Assets | | |
| 10. Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable | | |
| 11. Increase/(Decrease) in Advance Billings & Payments | | |
| 12. Increase/(Decrease) in Other Current Liabilities | | |
| 13. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Operations | | |
| CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES | | |
| 14. Decrease/(Increase) in Notes Receivable | | |
| 15. Increase/(Decrease) in Notes Payable | | |
| 16. Increase/(Decrease) in Customer Deposits | | |
| 17. Net Increase/(Decrease) in Long Term Debt (Including Current Maturities) | | |
| 18. Increase/(Decrease) in Other Liabilities & Deferred Credits | | |
| 19. Increase/(Decrease) in Capital Stock, Paid-in Capital, Membership and Capital Certificates & Other Capital | | |
| 20. Less: Payment of Dividends | | |
| 21. Less: Patronage Capital Credits Retired | | |
| 22. Other (Explain) Correct auto calculations to audit | | |
| 23. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Financing Activities | | |
| CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES | | |
| 24. Net Capital Expenditures (Property, Plant & Equipment) | | |
| 25. Other Long-Term Investments | | |
| 26. Other Noncurrent Assets & Jurisdictional Differences | | |
| 27. Other (Explain) Correct auto calculations to audit | | |
| 28. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities | | |
| 29. Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash | | |
| 30. Ending Cash | | |

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BUSH-TELL, INC.
ANIAK, ALASKA
BALANCE SHEETS
DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

ASSETS (NOTES 1 & 2)

| | <u>2016</u> | <u>2015</u> |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Current assets: | | |
| Cash (Note 9) | \$ | \$ |
| Telecommunications accounts receivable (net of reserve of \$4,700 in 2016 and 2015) | | |
| Other accounts receivable | | |
| Materials and supplies | | |
| Prepaid income taxes | | |
| Prepaid expenses | | |
| Noncurrent assets: | | |
| Nonregulated property - net (Note 5) | | |
| Deferred tax asset (Note 7) | | |
| Property, plant and equipment: (Note 3) | | |
| Telecommunications plant under construction | | |
| Telecommunications plant in service | | |
| Less accumulated provision for depreciation | | |
| | \$ | \$ |

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LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

| | <u>2016</u> | <u>2015</u> |
|--|-------------|-------------|
| Current liabilities: | | |
| Accounts payable | \$ | \$ |
| Accrued taxes | | |
| Accrued salaries and wages | | |
| Advance billings and payments | | |
| NAF credit liability - current (Note 6) | | |
| Current portion of long-term debt (Note 4) | | |
| Long-term debt: | | |
| RUS mortgage notes (Note 4) | | |
| Other long-term liabilities: | | |
| NAF credit liability (Note 6) | | |
| Stockholders' equity: | | |
| Capital stock - common | | |
| No par value - 100,000 shares | | |
| authorized, issued and outstanding | | |
| at a stated value of \$.05 | | |
| Retained earnings | | |
| | \$ | \$ |

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STATEMENTS OF INCOME
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

| | <u>2016</u> | <u>2015</u> |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Operating revenues: | | |
| Basic local network services | \$ | \$ |
| Network access services | | |
| Space and power contract revenues | | |
| Less uncollectible revenues | | |
| Total operating revenues | | |
| Operating expenses: | | |
| Plant specific operations | | |
| Plant nonspecific operations | | |
| Depreciation | | |
| Customer operations | | |
| Corporate operations | | |
| Other operating taxes | | |
| Total operating expenses | | |
| Operating income | | |
| Other income (expense): | | |
| Interest and dividend income | | |
| Interest expense | | |
| Other expense | | |
| Net nonregulated loss (Note 5) | | |
| Net other expense | | |
| Income before income taxes | | |
| Provision for income taxes: (Note 7) | | |
| Current | | |
| Deferred | | |
| Net income | \$ | \$ |

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STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND 2015

| | <u>2016</u> | <u>2015</u> |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| Cash flows from operating activities: | | |
| Cash received from consumers | \$ | \$ |
| Cash paid to suppliers and employees | | |
| Interest and dividends received | | |
| Interest paid | | |
| Income taxes paid | | |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | | |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | |
| Construction and acquisition of plant | | |
| Plant salvage | | |
| Net cash used by investing activities | | |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | |
| Payments on debt | | |
| Increase in: | | |
| Customer deposits and advanced payments | | |
| Net cash used by financing activities | | |
| Net increase in cash | | |
| Cash - beginning of year | | |
| Cash - end of year | \$ | \$ |

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STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
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(continued)

| | <u>2016</u> | <u>2015</u> |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| Reconciliation of net income to net cash provided by operating activities: | | |
| Net income | \$ | \$ |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation | | |
| Deferred income taxes | | |
| (Increase) decrease in: | | |
| Accounts receivable | | |
| Materials and supplies | | |
| Prepaid income taxes | | |
| Prepaid expenses | | |
| Increase (decrease) in: | | |
| Accounts payable | | |
| Accrued taxes | | |
| Accrued salaries and wages | | |
| Accrued expenses | | |
| Accrued interest | | |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | \$ | \$ |

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